

# Order

**Michigan Supreme Court  
Lansing, Michigan**

April 29, 2015

Robert P. Young, Jr.,  
Chief Justice

ADM File No. 2014-31

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Proposed Adoption of Rule 3.617 of  
the Michigan Court Rules

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On order of the Court, this is to advise that the Court is considering adoption of Rule 3.617 of the Michigan Court Rules. Before determining whether the proposal should be adopted, changed before adoption, or rejected, this notice is given to afford interested persons the opportunity to comment on the form or the merits of the proposal or to suggest alternatives. The Court welcomes the views of all. This matter also will be considered at a public hearing. The notices and agendas for public hearings are posted at [Administrative Matters & Court Rules page](#).

Publication of this proposal does not mean that the Court will issue an order on the subject, nor does it imply probable adoption of the proposal in its present form.

[The proposed language below is a new rule.]

## Rule 3.617 Delayed Registration of Foreign Birth

The entire record for delayed registration of foreign birth pursuant to MCL 333.2830 is confidential.

*Staff Comment:* This new rule, MCR 3.617, would require adoption files of foreign-born children who are adopted by a parent who is a resident of this state to be retained as confidential records (as are the adoption records that are governed by MCL 710.67 and MCL 710.68).

The staff comment is not an authoritative construction by the Court. In addition, adoption of a new rule or amendment in no way reflects a substantive determination by this Court.

A copy of this order will be given to the Secretary of the State Bar and to the State Court Administrator so that they can make the notifications specified in MCR 1.201. Comments on the proposal may be sent to the Office of Administrative Counsel in

writing or electronically by August 1, 2015, at P.O. Box 30052, Lansing, MI 48909, or [ADMcomment@courts.mi.gov](mailto:ADMcomment@courts.mi.gov). When filing a comment, please refer to ADM File No. 2014-31. Your comments and the comments of others will be posted under the chapter affected by this proposal at [Proposed & Recently Adopted Orders on Admin Matters page](#).



I, Larry S. Royster, Clerk of the Michigan Supreme Court, certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the order entered at the direction of the Court.

April 29, 2015

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Larry S. Royster", is written over a horizontal line.

Clerk